

DIRECTORY OF ARTS ORGANIZATIONS:
London Ontario
1996



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The purpose of this directory is to identify London and area organizations working in or supporting the major arts disciplines n dance, music, theater, literature, visual arts n as well as organizations concerned with heritage and culture generally. Additional information for a continued updating of the directory is welcomed.

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DANCE

DANCE AT WESTERN

Faculty of Part-time and Continuing Education, Stevenson-Lawson Building, University of Western Ontario, London N6A 5B8 Phone: (519) 661-3632 Classes open to the public in a broad variety of dance forms, from ballet, jazz and modern to social dancing and heritage dances from around the world.

FOREST CITY MORRIS

98 Garfield St., London, Ont. N6B 2B6

Phone: (519) 438-0857

A women's morris team performing traditional British ritual dances from the Cotswold area of England, at numerous local and regional functions.

FROHSINN DANCERS

389 Fox Ave., London, Ont. N6G 1H7

Phone: (519) 434-0331 German-Canadian folk dance group offers lessons in folk and theatrical dancing. It also performs at various functions.

GOATSHEAD MORRIS

28 Westmorland Rd., London, Ont. N6J 3N3

Phone: (519) 471-4924 Performs traditional English ritual dances from northwest England, at various local and regional events.

LONDON PLAYFORD DANCERS

372 Cedar Ave., London, Ont. N6G 1E7

Phone: (519) 439-3622

Performs traditional English country dances based on songs collected and published in the 1650s by John Playford.

MALT MILL MORRIS

985 Thistledown Way, London, Ont N6G 4L6

Phone: (519) 471-5193 Performs traditional English ritual dances at various celebrations and competitions.

PLEASANT MOMENTS VINTAGE DANCERS

172 William St., London, Ont. N6B 3B7

Historical and social dance group recreates ballroom dancing from the early Victorian period to ragtime (1840-1930). Classes available. Sponsors Victorian Echoes and Ragtime Rendezvous weekend in May

ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

12 Mountsfield Dr., London, Ont. N6C 2S5

Phone: (519) 657-1514

Instruction in royal Scottish country dancing (not Highland dancing). Two adult classes weekly at Forest City School, 1260 Dundas St. Monthly dances at Wolseley Barracks, a Christmas dance at Dufferin Hall, 445 Dufferin Ave., a New Years dance at UWO Great Hall, a February workshop and an annual ball in April.

SOUTHWESTERN ONTARIO SQUARE DANCE ASSOCIATION

26 Graham Cres, London, Ont. N5W 4L8

Phone: (519) 451-9953 (evenings)

This umbrella organization serves 43 dancing clubs throughout Southwestern Ontario. Holds dances once a month at various centres, offers lessons from September to May.

STUDIO ONE SCHOOL OF DANCE

41 Wyckwood Park, London, Ont. N6G 1R4

Phone: (519) 473-3939

Provides social and ballroom dancing Level I & II, as well as beginner folk dancing, line dancing, jive and two-step.

THAMES VALLEY MORRIS DANCERS

90 Chapman Court, Apt. 19, London, Ont. N6G 4X5

Phone: (519) 471-1062

Performs traditional Morris dances/English dances originating in the village of Fieldtown. Offers instruction to members and performs at various folk festivals and dance events in North America.

TRUE NORTH MUSIC AND DANCE

37 McKenzie Ave., London, Ont. N6C 1V1

Phone: (519) 433-1834

Helps preserve traditional English and North America folk music and dance. An associate member of the Country Dance Song Society.

FESTIVALS

ART IN THE PARK FESTIVAL

446 King St., London, Ont. N6B 1S9

Phone: (519) 438-5242; Fax: (519) 434-6714

An annual two-day jazz festival featuring free performances in Victoria Park and paid-admission performances in local bars, by local and out-of-town acts.

FESTIVAL AT THE FORKS

London Regional Art and Historical Museums, 421 Ridout St.N., London N6B 5H4

Phone: (519) 672-45980; Fax: (519) 660-8397

An annual two-day festival celebrating the Canada Day holiday, featuring bands, beer, food, fireworks and family activities n croquet and strawberry teas on the Eldon House lawn, pony rides and miniature golf in Harris Park, free admission to the London Regional Art and Historical Museums, and more.

FOREST CITY JAZZ FESTIVAL

1-n450 King St., London, Ont. N6B 1S9

Phone: (519) 438-2731

A September festival of all types of jazz, both by local musicians and artists from Toronto and Detroit, with a mixture of free and ticketed performances in downtown London and at clubs throughout the city.

HOME COUNTY FOLK FESTIVAL

Grosvener Lodge, 1017 Western Road London, Ont. N6G 1G5

Phone: (519) 645-2842 Fax: (519) 645-0981

Annual summer folk festival held the third weekend in July in Victoria Park. Provides music, literary, and craft programs, demonstrations and concerts. Year-round activities.

KIWANIS MUSIC FESTIVAL

32n267 Dundas St., London, Ont. N6A 1H2

Phone: (519) 432-5183; Fax: 432-9885

A spring festival, competitive and adjudicated, open to anyone of any age who wishes to enter, in the broadest possible range of vocal or instrumental categories. Performances take place in several venues throughout the city. Entry forms are available from most music stores.

LAMBETH ART FESTIVAL

(Dingman Creek Art Association)

Box 1043, Lambeth, Ont. N0L 1S0

Phone: (519) 473-7612 Fine arts exhibition show and sale at the Hellenic Centre.

LONDON NEW ARTS FESTIVAL

Galleria London second floor west. 355 Wellington St., London, Ont. N6A 3N7

Phone: (519) 432-3926

An annual festival held the last weekend of September throughout the downtown core. Provides a showcase for musicians, writers, painters, dance etc to promote an appreciation of the arts in London. Closed 2000

LONDON INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL

2n 515 Richmond St., London, Ont. N6A 3E8

Phone: (519) 645-3739; Fax (5e19) 645-7245

Presents performing and visual arts for children and offers free programs and activities on the Victoria Park site.

NAMERIND ART FESTIVAL

260 Colborne St., London, Ont. N6B 2S6

Phone: (519) 672-0131 Fax: (519) 672-0717

PANORAMA

Grosvener Lodge, 1017 Western Rd. London, Ont. N6G 1G5

Phone: (519) 659-9367

An annual ethnocultural festival of hospitality, entertainment and education involving a tour of the city's ethnic clubs.

SUNFEST

Cross Cultural Learner Centre, 617 Dundas St.. London, Ont. N5W 2Z1

Phone: (519) 660-8850

An annual weekend festival of music, dance, story, arts, crafts and foods representing cultures from around the world, held each July in Victoria Park.

WINTERFEST

461 Waterloo St.. London, Ont. N6B 2P4

Phone: (519) 6415-2010

An annual weekend festival of winter activities, including skating, sleigh rides, snow and ice carving, entertainment, food and refreshments, held each January using Victoria Park, Thompson Arena and other venues.

FOUNDATIONS

WALTER J. BLACKBURN FOUNDATION

The London Free Press, 369 York St., Box 2280, London, Ont. N6A 4G1

Phone: (519) 667-5454; Fax: (519) 667-4530

Private Charitable foundation. Supports a variety of public programs including cultural activities and historical preservation.

CANADA TRUST

Southwest Regional Office, 220 Dundas St., London, Ont. N6A 4S5

Funds are contributed for capital and project purposes in various areas including recreational and culture.

CANADA TRUST STAFF ASSOCIATION CHARITABLE FUND

Allocations Committee, Box 5703 London, Ont, N6A 4S4

Phone: (519) 667-6023

Separate from the Canada Trust corporate fund. Contributes to London area organizations involved with community groups, arts and recreation.

CITY OF LONDON ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE ARTS

London City Hall, Box 5035, London, Ont. N6A 4L9

Advises the city of London on applications for cultural grants, arts bursaries and travel grants available at City Clerk's office, City Hall.

CITY OF LONDON PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

111 Horton St., London, Ont. N6A 4L9

Phone: (519) 661-5575

Some funding or sponsorship of parks and recreation activities.

EMCO LIMITED

EMCO Limited Donations Committee, Box 5252 London, Ont N6A 4L6

Phone: (519) 645-3900

Recreation and culture interests. Funds are contributed for capital, operational and project purposes, with emphasis on capital funding.

EMCO LIMITED --ECCO FUND

Emco Distribution Group, 1108 Dundas St., London, Ont. N5W 3A7

Phone: (519) 453-9600

The ECCO Fund is separate from the Emco Limited corporate fund. It is available to community groups, primarily for operating funds, but capital grants will be considered.

THE RICHARD IVEY FOUNDATION

630 Richmond St., London, Ont. N6A 3G6

Historical interests, social development, health and education arts and culture, with the aim of creating opportunities not usually available through other funding programs.

JOHN LABATT FOUNDATION

150 Simcoe St., London, Ont. N6A 4M3

To enhance the quality of life by responding to the needs of the community, with interests in the performing arts, visual arts, arts and culture in general.

THE LAWSON FOUNDATION

1384 Wonderland Rd. N., London, Ont. N6G 2C1

Funds recreation and culture organizations in London and Oakville.

LONDON LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

255 Dufferin Ave., London, Ont. N6A 4K1

Phone: (519) 432-5281 ext: 4517

Capital and operational costs are funded as well as projects in various areas including theatre and the arts.

McGEACHY CHARITABLE FOUNDATIONS

200 Queens Ave., Suite 604, London, Ont. N6A 1J3

Phone: (519) 673-1580

Funds are given for both recreation and culture programs for both capital and operational expenses.

NORTHERN TELECOM LIMITED

Dept. 2003 Sise Rd., Box 5155, London, Ont. N6A 4N3

Phone: (519) 686-2000

Each project and request is considered on its merits. Culture and social service are emphasized.

ST. WILLIBRORD CREDIT UNION

151 Albert St., London, Ont. N6A 1L9

Phone: (519) 673-4130

All groups are considered on their own merits. Information and educational services, recreation and culture are areas of interest

THE MOWBRAY AND DORIS SIFTON FAMILY FOUNDATION

Box 5099, London, Ont. N6A 4M8

Major consideration is given to arts and culture projects of charitable organizations in London and southwestern Ontario.

THE A. E. SILVERWOOD FOUNDATION

45 Clarendon Cres., London Ont. N6C 5Y2

To make donations to visual arts, education and charitable organizations in the Greater London area.

TORONTO DOMINION BANK

365 Richmond St., London, Ont. N6A 4K2

Phone: (519) 665-1300

A very broad fund in which all areas are considered for capital funds.

UNION GAS LIMITED

Box 5353, London, Ont. N6A 4P1

Phone (519) 667-4100

Interest in culture, providing capital funding and occasionally funding projects with customer benefits in mind.

BERNARD AND NORTON WOLF FAMILY FOUNDATION

572 Wellington St., London, Ont. N6A 3R3

General charitable purposes.

MUSEUMS

1ST HUSSARS MUSEUM

399 Ridout St., London, Ont. N6A 2P1

Phone: (519) 434-7321 or 1-800-265-5939; Fax: (519)

663-5396

Collections of photographs, maps and artifacts related to the building, Originally the Middlesex County Court House and Jail.

ARCHIVAL TEACHING & RESEARCH MUSEUM

850 Highbury Ave., London, Ont. N6A 4H1

Phone: (519) 455-5110 ext. 2155

Part of the London Psychiatric Hospital, the museum traces the history of mental health accomplishments since 1870. Tours by appointment.

BANTING HOUSE MUSEUM

442 Adelaide St. N., London, Ont. N6B 3H8

Phone: (519) 673-1752 Fax: (519) 660-8992

Celebrates the life and career of Dr. Frederick Banting (1891-1941) who discovered and developed insulin.

FANSHAWE PIONEER VILLAGE

(London Middlesex Heritage Museum)

RR 5, London, Ont. N6A 4B9

Phone: (519) 457-1296 Fax: (519) 457-3364

Consisting of more than 25 buildings some of which are actual historical structures. Volunteer program with costumed interpreters perform pioneer skills.

GUY LOMBARDO MUSEUM

205 Wonderland Road S., London, Ont. N6K 3T3

Phone/Fax: (519) 473-9003

Museum documenting the music and life of the bandleader Guy Lombardo. Continuous taped music of the Royal Canadians and videotapes of Lombardos connection with London.

LONDON MUSEUM OF ARCHEOLOGY

1600 Attawandron Rd., London, Ont. N6G 3M6

Phone: (519) 473-1360 Fax: (519) 473-1363

Fifteenth Century Neutral Indian archeological site. Gallery and tours. Onsite excavations between May and September.

LONDON REGIONAL ART AND HISTORICAL MUSEUMS

421 Ridout St. N., London, Ont. N6A 5H4

Phone: (519) 672-4580 Fax: (519) 660-8397

Year-round program of art exhibitions of contemporary and traditional art. Community historical museum with a focus on London and region. Films, concerts, tours, lectures and special events. Also operates Eldon House, Londonns oldest surviving private dwelling, built in 1834.

LONDON REGIONAL CHILDREN'S MUSEUM (moved in 2020)

21 Wharncliffe Rd. S., London, Ont. N6J 4G5

Phone: (519) 434-5726 Fax: (519) 434-1443

Canadians first hands-on museum for children. Daily activities and events contribute to childreenns development by encouraging participation in innovative exhibits and creative programming that invites cultural and scientific exploration of our world, past, present and

future.

MEDICAL MUSEUM

University Hospital 339 Windermere Rd., London, Ont. N6A 5A5

Phone: (519) 663-3120 This museum illustrates the state of medicine over the last century in a carefully recreated Victorian doctors office. A second exhibition area presents numerous examples of medical technology.

ROYAL CANADIAN REGIMENT MUSEUM

Wolseley Hall, Oxford Street E., London, Ont. N5Y 4T7

Phone: (519) 660-5102 Fax: (519) 660-5344 The museum displays artifacts, battle scenes from 1883 to the present, weapons and uniforms of the Royal Canadian Regiment.

MUSIC, PERFORMING GROUPS

AMABILE SINGERS

Box 201, Station B, London, Ont. N6A 4V8

Phone: (519) 673-5244

Amabile Youth Singers are a 60-voice choir that is open to girls ages 12-24. The Junior Amabile Singers is open to girls ages 9-15 and the Amabile Boys Choirs are open to boys ages 10-20. Auditions are held each June for all three groups.

BRASSROOTS

162-911 Wonderland Rd. South, London, Ont. N6K 2Y7

Phone: (519) 471-6422

An 11-piece brass and percussion ensemble which performs light classics, jazz, baroque, Renaissance and contemporary works. Presents four main series concerts per season.

CANADIAN WELSH SINGERS

1246 Oxford St. West, London, Ont. N6H 1V7

Phone: (519) 451-5333

A mixed choir which rehearses every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

FACULTY OF MUSIC

Talbot College Room 210, UWO, London, Ont. N6A 3K7

Phone: (519) 661-3767 or (519) 661-2044

Presents concerts by symphony orchestra, concert bands and choirs, and by faculty members and guests.

FANSHAWE COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

1551 Ryersie Road, London, Ont. N6G 2S2

Phone: (519) 432-4461 or (519) 660-4554

Performs three or four concerts a year at the Aeolian Town Hall, 795 Dundas St. Rehearsals are on Tuesday evenings.

FOREST CITY (Irish) DRUMS AND PIPE BAND

38 Constable St., London, Ont. N6G 3P1

Phone: (519) 471-9661

Official band of the City of London.

FRIENDS OF THE FIDDLERS GREEN

9 Prospect Ave., London, Ont. N6B 3A4

(519) 673-0334

British traditional and folk music group.

GERALD FAGAN SINGERS

Phone: (519) 433-9650

Chamber choir of 25 voices performs a series of five concerts at various locations. Membership is open to anyone in the London area, by audition.

LONDON BAROQUE PLAYERS

950 Wellington St. N., London, Ont, N6A 3T2

Phone: (519) 439-3859

Performs mainly baroque and classical music on period instruments. As few as three and as many as eight players are available for concerts, weddings and garden parties.

LONDON FANSHAWE SYMPHONIC CHORUS

Phone: (519) 433-9650

London Symphonic Chorus meets on Monday evenings at Fanshawe College and performs a series of five concerts at Centennial Hall. Membership is open to anyone in the London area, by audition.

LONDON JAZZ SOCIETY

824 Dalkeith Rd, London, Ont. N5X 1R8

Phone: (519) 433-4789

London Jazz Society presents an afternoon of live jazz that is performed by national and international jazz musicians in a cabaret setting on the 2nd Sunday of each month.

LONDON POPS CONCERT BAND

420 Central Ave. #900, London, Ont. N6B 2E7

Phone: (519) 434-4264

Performs once a month throughout the Community. Rehearsals are on Tuesday evenings.

LONDON PRO MUSICA

Box 1103 Station B, London, Ont. N6A 5K2

Phone: (519) 679-8000 or (519) 631-5846

Chamber choir of approximately 35 members. Classically oriented, offering a concert series of four programs annually. Auditions by appointment.

LONDON RECORDER SOCIETY

52 Doncaster Place, London, Ont. N6G 2AS

Phone: (519) 471-8944

London Recorder Society (est. 1989) encourages amateur music-making by providing regular ensemble opportunities to intermediate - advanced recorder players with ensemble opportunities under qualified leadership. Performances are held in schools, churches, libraries etc to introduce the recorder, its repertoire and history to the Community. Also provided is accompaniment for Renaissance dance.

LONDON YOUTH SYMPHONY

Box 553 Station B, London, Ont. N6A 4W8

Phone: (519) 673-0571

LYS is a training center orchestra for players between the ages of 13-23. The LYS Young Strings program is open to string players between the ages of 9-15. Membership is upon the recommendation of music teacher. The LYS Wind Ensemble program is open to woodwind, brass and percussion players in Secondary School.

LYRA

German Canadian Club 1 Cove Road, London, Ont. N6J 1H7

Phone: (519) 433-2901 or (519) 660-0762

This mixed choir is open to the public and is always looking for additional voices. Meets weekly on Monday evenings at 8 p.m.

MEN OF ACCORD

12 Maxwell Cresc., London, Ont. N5X 1Z1

Phone: (519) 455-1899

London chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America Inc. invites men to sing barbershop harmony songs, Mondays at 7:30 p.m at

Harmony Manor, 55 McKay Ave., at Langarth.

ORCHESTRA LONDON

520 Wellington St., London, Ont. N6A 3R1

Phone: (519) 679-8558; Fax: (519) 679-8914; E-Mail:

orchestra.london@icis.on.ca A professional orchestra, which serves as much of the Community as possible through a wide variety of musical activities. Orchestra London performs 6 series of concerts, plus Special Concerts, during a season which lasts from October to May. The repertoire includes a full range of classical, pop, jazz and cabaret music, a family series and concerts for the very young. Most performances are in Centennial Hall on Wellington. The program brochure Quarter Notes is published six times a year.

PIPES & DRUMS OF THE LONDON POLICE FORCE

Recruiting and Training Office, 601 Dundas St., London, Ont.

Phone: (519) 661-5660

SHADES OF HARMONY

St. Lukes Anglican Church, 1204 Richmond St., London, Ont.

Phone: (519) 451-6756 Open to women 18 years and older. Practice is each Monday at 7:30 at the church.

VILLAGE SINGERS

Wesley Knox United Church, 91 Askin St., London, Ont. N6C 1E7

Phone: (519) 434-4408

Open by audition to interested men and women. Two concerts yearly.

MUSIC FESTIVALS

ART IN THE PARK FESTIVAL

446 King St., London, Ont. N6B 1S9

Phone: (519) 438-5242; Fax: (519) 434-6714

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ROYAL CANADIAN BIG BAND MUSIC FESTIVAL

Box 24070, RPO Westown, London, Ont. N6H 5C4

Phone: (519) 663-9467 or 1-800-461-2263,

Annual festival the first weekend in July pays tribute to the Lombardos and preserves their musical heritage.

OTHER

LONDON OPERA GUILD

35 Kingsford Cres., London, Ont. N6C 4E4

Lectures on various operas and offers courses in opera appreciation and tours to famous opera centres. Bus trips to Canadian Opera Company performances in Toronto. Newsletter, monthly meetings.

ONTARIO PERCUSSIVE ARTS SOCIETY

97 Barton St., London, Ont. N6A 1N1

Phone: (519) 432-4837

Promotes percussive music through an international network of performers, teachers, students, composers and enthusiasts.

ROYAL CANADIAN COLLEGE OF ORGANISTS

1480 Roland Cres., London, Ont. N5X 1E5

Phone: (519) 660-4478

Open to all church musicians who wish to advance the cause of quality sacred music in our churches.

WESTERN ONTARIO CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC

645 Windermere Road, London, Ont. N5X 2P1

Phone: (519) 433-3147 Fax: (519) 433-7404

RESOURCES

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE ARTS

City Hall, 300 Dufferin Ave., Box 5035, London, Ont. N6A 4L9

Phone: (519) 661-5417

Advises London City Council on the value of arts to the City, reviews Council's policy, sponsors educational programs on the arts, reviews cultural grant applications made to the City.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS OF LONDON AND MIDDLESEX

Box 5474, 165 Elmwood Ave, London, Ont. N6A 4X5

Phone: (519) 663-2088.

CROSS CULTURAL LEARNER CENTRE

617 Dundas St., London, Ont N5W 2Z1

Phone: (519) 660-8850.

Brings together a diversity of people and resources to examine and understand cultural issues. Assists groups to publicize a broad spectrum of programs and activities.

FANSHAWE COLLEGE

Box 4005, London, Ont. N5W 5H1

Phone: (519) 452-4470

A wealth of continuing education arts and cultural programs in addition to the full-time academic and technical curriculae.

GROSVENOR LODGE

1017 Western Rd., London, Ont. N6G 1G5

Phone: (519) 645-2845 Fax: (519) 645-0981

A Tudor Gothic style house built in 1853, it is now the London Resource Centre and environment, administered by the Heritage London Foundation. It is home to the Architectural Conservancy of Ontario, the London and Middlesex Historical Society, Ontario Archaeological Society (London Chapter), the London Society of Architects and various environmental and ecological associations.

HERITAGE LONDON FOUNDATION

Box 1761 Statdion A, London, Ont. N6A 5A9

A non-profit corporation formed by Londoners interested in heritage conservation and operated by a Board of Directors representing the citizens of London.

INFORMATION LONDON

325 Queens Ave., London, Ont. N6B 1X2

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LONDON ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON HERITAGE

Box 5035, City Hall, 300 Dufferin St., London, Ont. N6A 4L9 Recommends to London City Council buildings of architectural and/or historical merit for designation under the Ontario Heritage Act. Members appointed by City Council from all aspects of the community.

LONDON ARTS COUNCIL (currently located at the corner of Wellington & Dundas SW corner)

Box 696 Station B., London, Ont. N6A 4Y4 The London Arts Council is committed to fostering an environment in which all levels of the arts can flourish, enhancing the quality of life and adding to the vitality of the community, by promoting awareness of the arts in all forms and encouraging the active pursuit of artistic excellence. (Arts Grants provider)

LONDON BOARD OF EDUCATION

Box 5888, Station A. London, Ont. N6A 5L1

Phone: (519) 455-0071 ext. 2295

LONDON COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE

388 Dundas St. Suite 200, London, Ont. N6B 1V7

Phone: (519) 432-1801. Provides information on a variety of wide variety of subjects, including such arts related material as the publication Funding Sources for Non-Profit Groups.

LONDON MIDDLESEX HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Grosvener Lodge, 1017 Western Rd., London, Ont. N6G 1G5

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WESTERN ONTARIO CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC

645 Windermere Road, London, Ont. N5X 2P1

Phone: (519) 433-3147 Fax: (519) 433-7404 Maintains a library of sheet music and recordings, as well as offering instruction at all levels.

THEATRE COMPANIES

DUFFLEBAG THEATRE

Box 725, Station B, London, Ont. N6A 4Y8

Phone: (519) 434-2808

Professional touring theatre troupe offering interactive story theatre ideal for children and family entertainment, often at school conferences or festivals. Its material, available to order, ranges from fairy tales to Shakespeare. Drama workshops are available for school or community groups. Dufflebag Theatre also provides the core acting ensemble of Hit and Run Theatre Company (listed separately, below).

GILBERT AND SULLIVAN SOCIETY

c/o University Community Centre, University of Western Ontario, N6A 3K7

Phone: (519) 661-3722

This University of Western Ontario student organization stages one operetta each year at Talbot Theatre.

GRAND THEATRE

471 Richmond St., London, Ont. N6A 3E4

Administration: (519) 672-9030; Box-office (519) 672-8800 or

1-800-265-1593 (1-800-567-5194 from Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania); Fax: (519) 672-2620

London's senior professional theatre presents a winter stock season, from October to May, of major Canadian and international plays in the 839-seat Grand Theatre and separate programs of alternative adult fare and family entertainment in the 150-seat McManus Studio Theatre. The company also hosts occasional outside arts attractions such as the National Ballet of Canada.

HIT AND RUN THEATRE COMPANY

Box 725, Station B, London, Ont. N6A 4Y8

Phone: (519) 434-1311 Professional theatre group best known for parody but also doing serious original scripts and works from the contemporary repertoire, in various venues in London and elsewhere. Core acting ensemble comes from Dufflebag Theatre (listed separately, above), augmented by other professional actors.

LONDON COMMUNITY PLAYERS

Box 1183, Station B, London, Ont. N6A 5K2

Phone: (519) 432-1029; box-office (Grand Theatre, (519)

672-8800 Amateur theatre group operating the 355-seat Palace Theatre at 710 Dundas St. Its winter stock season includes plays from the Canadian and international repertoires. It also makes the Palace available to other groups, such as London Musical Theatre (listed separately, next page).

LONDON MUSICAL THEATRE

832 Headley Dr., London, Ont. N6H 3V8

Phone: (519) 473-9247 Amateur theatre group producing one or more musicals yearly, at the Palace Theatre and elsewhere. Repertoire consists primarily of Broadway shows and musical compendiums.

NOSTALGIC THESPIANS

68-690 Little Grey St., London, Ont. NSZ 4M9

Phone: (519) 433-2164 Community theatre group comprised of senior citizens, performing short plays (musicals, drama and comedies), often in retirement homes, hospitals and similar venues.

PLAYERS GUILD

c/o University Community Centre, University of Western Ontario, N6A 3K7

Phone: (519) 661-3722 This University of Western Ontario student troupe produces at least one play a year, usually at Talbot Theatre on the UWO campus (listed separately, below, under Theatre Facilities).

PURPLE PATCHES

c/o University Community Centre, University of Western Ontario, N6A 3K7

Phone: (519) 661-3722 This University of Western Ontario alumni theatre organization produces a major musical each year at Talbot Theatre.

STORYPLAYERS

405 Regent St., London, Ont. N6A 2H7

Phone: (519) 673-5790 Professional actors dramatizing traditional folk from many lands, with props, costumes, masks and songs, for special occasions in a variety of venues.

THEATRE UPPERCUT

21 Lyndhurst Place, London, Ont. N6C 4H7

Phone: (519) 438-1987 This professional theatre company specializes in small musicals, performed in various venues.

THEATRE SCHOOLS

ORIGINAL KIDS THEATRE

Box 22051, London, Ont. N6C 4N0

Phone: (519) 679-0598 Fax (519) 679-1070

A theatre training program which involves children and teenagers 8 to 18 in every aspect of theatre work, including public performance of material ranging from original musicals to Shakespeare, in a variety of venues. Performs at the London Regional Art and Historical Museums. A summer camp augments the winter program.

THEATRE SCHOOL

366 Richmond St., second floor, London, Ont. N6A 3C3

Phone: (519) 434-7863

An independent, self-supporting theatre school which aims to instill commitment to and respect for the performing arts as a profession. Offers an intensive theatre program for ages 11 to 18.

STAGE FACILITIES

Centennial Hall downtown, the Palace Theatre in east London and Talbot Theatre and Althouse Auditorium at the University of Western Ontario are the stages most often rented by touring shows or by local groups lacking their own performance spaces. But there are many others.

AEOLIAN TOWN HALL

795 Dundas St., London, Ont. N5W 2Z6

Phone: 572-27950

Primarily a music performance centre, this historic building is also sometimes used for plays.

ALTHOUSE AUDITORIUM

Althouse College, University of Western Ontario, London N6G 1G7

Rental information: (519) 661-3303; campus box-office:

661-3572 This 665-seat auditorium, designed for lectures as well as performances, is used for university shows and often rented by community troupes.

ALUMNI HALL

University of Western Ontario, London N6A 5B8

Rental information: (519) 661-3303; campus box-office:

661-3572 This multi-purpose auditorium on the UWO campus is the largest commonly used for performance in London, usually for dance or music. It seats 2,300.

CENTENNIAL HALL

550 Wellington St., London, Ont. N6A 3P9

Administration 672-1967 or 672-1968; box-office (BASS)

672-2421 Centennial Hall is a city-owned facility with spaces for live performances, exhibitions, banquets and special events. The main auditorium seats more than 1,600 people for the principal concerts of Orchestra London and for many musical and theatrical touring attractions.

CITY PARKS AND ARENAS

Parks and Recreation , City of London, 300 Dufferin Ave., London N6B 1Z2

Rental information: 551-5575 Some public recreation sites have performance facilities, such as bandshells in parks or portable stages in arenas.

SCHOOL AUDITORIUMS

London Board of Education, 1250 Dundas St. N5W 5P2

Rental information: (519) 452-2156

Catholic Schools of London & Middlesex, 165 Elmwood Ave. N6C 1J9

Rental information: (519) 652-0453 Community groups or touring entertainers seeking to rent auditorium space for individual shows often overlook the excellent performance facilities available in virtually all of the city's secondary schools. They range in size from under 600 seats to over 1,400 and in configuration from sharply raked seating and prosceniums to flat floors and thrust stages.

TALBOT THEATRE

Talbot College, Room 21, University of Western Ontario, London N6A 3K7

Phone: (519) 661-3019; campus box-office: 661-357 Talbot Theatre is a fully equipped 370-seat proscenium theatre in Talbot College on the UWI campus, used for a wide range of musical, theatrical and dance performances by student groups and touring professionals.

UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN ONTARIO

University of Western Ontario, London, Ont. N6A 3K7

Rental information: most university facilities: (519)

661-3303; most UCC facilities: (519) 661-3006; The Wave (519) 661-3007

Campus box-office: 661-3572 Most UWO colleges have auditoriums or other spaces suitable for the performing arts, from multi-purpose lecture theatres to the dedicated concert studios of the Faculty of Music. Many can be rented. Some, such as the student lounge The Wave, can provide food and beverage services.

OTHER

SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM

456 Platts Lane, London, Ont. N6G 1J2

Phone (519) 660-6920 or (519) 457-5773

Educational and social organization studying and re-creating aspects of the Middle Ages, including cookery, calligraphy, illumination, bookbinding, spinning, weaving, costuming, dancing, heraldry, weaponry and warfare.

VISUAL ARTS

GALLERIES

ARTLAB

Visual Art Department,. University of Western Ontario, London, Ont.

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A teaching research gallery which provides space, access, support and encouragement for projects and activities that enhance and interact with the current curriculum of the Visual Arts Department and serves as an aspect of the museology program.

FOREST CITY GALLERY

795 Dundas St., London, Ont. N5W 2Z6 (moved to Richmond and Horton St.)

Phone: (519) 434-5875

A non-profit artist-run centre showing contemporary work in all media by local, regional, national and international artists and providing a forum for literature, visual and music arts with a focus on the interrelationship of the disciplines.

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Fine arts exhibition show and sale at the Hellenic Centre.

LONDON REGIONAL ART AND HISTORICAL MUSEUMS

421 Ridout St. N., London, Ont. N6A 5H4

Phone: (519) 672-4580; Fax: (519) 660-8397

Year-round program of exhibitions of contemporary and traditional art. Community historical museum with a focus on London and region. Films, concerts, tours, lectures and special events. Free admission. Also operates Eldon House, London's oldest surviving private residence, built in 1834.

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University of Western Ontario

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Paintings, graphics and sculpture by established and young contemporary regional and national artists.

ARTS AND CRAFTS

CANADIAN EMBROIDERERS GUILD

Box 541, Station. B, London, Ont. N6A 4W8

Phone: (519) 268-3616 or (519) 455-9418

Instruction sessions are provided covering a wide variety of embroidery-related topics. An intensive one-week long workshop is held in June.

DOLL GUILD OF LONDON

East London Artisans Centre, 1731 Churchill Ave., London, Ont. N5W 5P4

Phone (519) 472-1347

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FOREST CITY DECORATIVE ARTISTS

East London Artisans Centre, 1731 Churchill Ave., London, Ont.

Phone: (519) 473-0492 or (519) 433-9550

Classes in oils, acrylics and watercolours; fall, winter and spring sessions in techniques of decorative painting. Regular meetings the second Wednesday of each month, September to June (March may vary) at the Artisans Centre.

FOREST CITY SMOCKING ARTS GUILD

East Lions Artisans Centre, 1731 Churchill Ave., London, Ont. N5W 5P4 Phone: (519) 438-6854 or (519) 661-5553

GALLERY PAINTING GROUP

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1097 Commissioners Rd. W., London, Ont. N6K 1C5

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LONDON BRUSH AND PALETTE CLUB

1295 Commissioners Rd. W., London, Ont.

Phone: (519) 471-7515

Meets at the Byron Library Thursdays at 1 p.m.

LONDON CAMERA CLUB

Box 1055 Station B, London, Ont. N6A 5K2

Phone: (519) 434-0272

Meets Thursdays in Room 1162, Althouse College, 1137 Western Rd., January to May and September to December.

LONDON & DISTRICT ARTS & CRAFTS ASSOCIATION.

Box 7174, Station E, London, Ont. N5Y 4J9

Phone: (519) 432-1971

Educates the public concerning a wide variety of crafts such as woodworking, textiles, soapstone carving, needlework.

LONDON DISTRICT WEAVERS & SPINNERS

1731 Churchill Ave., London, Ont.

Conducts classes and workshops in weaving, spinning, dyeing and related activities at the East Lions Artisans Centre.

LONDON FIBRE ARTISTS

1517 MacTavish Cresc., London, Ont. N5X 1P6

LONDON FOLK ARTS MULTICULTURAL HERITAGE COUNCIL

1 Christie St., London, Ont. N6A 3Y7

Phone: (519) 439-6214

Promotes multiculturalism and assists in the integration of ethnic communities and sponsors a variety of multicultural events.

LONDON FRIENDSHIP QUILTERS

633 Chittington Ave., London, Ont. N6C 2W6

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Provides instruction, workshops and guest speakers on quilting.

LONDON GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY

750 Wonderland Rd. N., London, Ont.

Meetings on the first Thursday of each month at the West London Alliance Church at 7:30pm.

LONDON POTTER'S GUILD

East Lions Artisans Centre, 1731 Churchill Ave., London, Ont. N5W 5P4

Phone: (519) 433-6757 or 661-5553

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ARTS FACILITIES

ARTISANS LONDON / EAST LIONS ARTISANS CENTRE

1731 Churchill Ave. London, Ont. N5W 5P4

Phone: (519) 433-9550 or (519) 661-5553

Artisans London is a non-profit umbrella organization representing London craft guilds and groups located at the East London Artisans Centre where these groups meet. Artisans London offers interesting courses in pottery, weaving, decorative arts and stencilling throughout the school year. Groups involved in the arts are welcome to join in or to rent space at the centre. The common room (with a capacity of 80 persons) has chairs, tables, chalk board, television, VCR, slide projector and overhead projector, ideal for classes, workshops or meetings.

WESTERN FAIR ASSOCIATION

Box 4550, LCD 1, London, Ont. N5W 5K3

Phone: (519) 438-7203 ext 262 Fax: (519) 679-3124

Western Fair Association offers access and exposure to a number of individuals and groups through banquets, shows, concerts, grandstand performances and exhibition space for arts and crafts shows. It also provides event planning, development and organization.

SLIDE LIBRARY

Visual Arts Centre, University of Western Ontario, London, Ont. N6A 3K7

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